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Public Act No. 09-109

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A SILVER ALERT SYSTEM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Section 7-282c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

Any municipal police department which receives a report of a missing child under fifteen years of age or a missing person who is eligible for assistance under subsection (a) of section 29-1f, as amended by this act, shall immediately accept such report for filing and inform all on-duty police officers of the existence of the missing child or missing person report and communicate the report to other appropriate law enforcement agencies.

Sec. 2. Section 29-1f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

(a) The clearinghouse established under section 29-1e shall collect, process, maintain and disseminate information to assist in the location of any missing person who (1) is eighteen years of age or older and has a mental impairment, or (2) is sixty-five years of age or older, provided a missing person report prepared by the Department of Public Safety has been filed by such missing person's relative, guardian, conservator,

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attorney-in-fact appointed by the missing person in accordance with chapter 7, any health care representative appointed by the missing person in accordance with section 19a-576 or a nursing home administrator, as defined in section 19a-511. Such relative, guardian, conservator, attorney-in-fact, health care representative or nursing home administrator shall attest under penalty of perjury that the missing person (A) is eighteen years of age or older and has a mental impairment, or (B) is sixty-five years of age or older. No other proof shall be required in order to verify that the missing person meets the criteria to be eligible for assistance under this subsection. Such relative, guardian, conservator, attorney-in-fact, health care representative or nursing home administrator who files a missing person report shall immediately notify the clearinghouse or law enforcement agency if the missing person's location has been determined.

(b) Subject to available resources, the clearinghouse established by section 29-1e may collect, process, maintain and disseminate information to assist in the location of missing persons other than children and those persons who are eligible for assistance under subsection (a) of this section.

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